State Asset Forfeitures

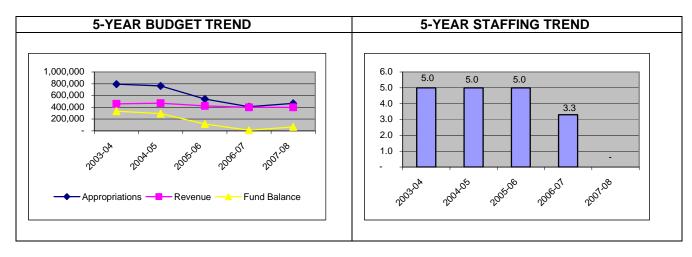
DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES

The goal of asset forfeiture is to remove the profits from those who benefit from illegal activities. While seizures and arrests present a temporary setback for criminals, asset forfeiture is effective in permanently removing the proceeds from them while diminishing their ability to continue the illegal enterprise. The law permits law enforcement agencies to use the proceeds of forfeiture to purchase safe, more effective equipment that they otherwise could not afford. Thus, law enforcement is able to convert criminal profits into supplemental funding to inhibit illegal activities.

The District Attorney's asset forfeiture program deters crime by depriving criminal of the profits and proceeds of their illegal activities. State asset forfeitures fund staff that process asset forfeitures generated by activities of the Sheriff's department and police agencies in the county.

There is no staffing associated with this budget unit in 2007-08.

BUDGET HISTORY

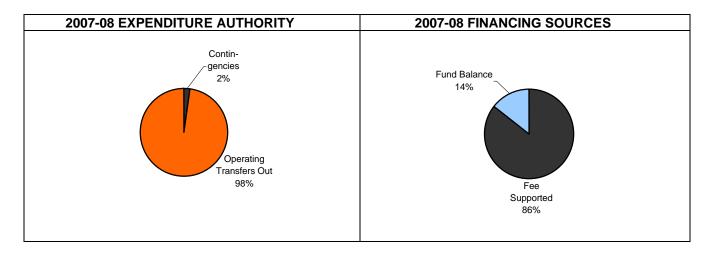


PERFORMANCE HISTORY

			2006-07		
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	Modified	2006-07
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Budget	Estimate
Appropriation .	455,615	464,976	402,129	411,168	348,392
Departmental Revenue	416,642	289,047	295,770	400,000	405,000
Fund Balance				11,168	
Budgeted Staffing				3.3	



ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED BUDGET



GROUP: Law and Justice
DEPARTMENT: District Attorney
FUND: State Asset Forfeitures

BUDGET UNIT: SBH DAT
FUNCTION: Public Protection
ACTIVITY: Judicial

Change From 2006-07 2007-08 2006-07 2003-04 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07 **Final Proposed Final** Actual **Actual** Actual **Estimate Budget Budget Budget Appropriation** Salaries and Benefits 419,312 421,880 399,685 345,600 409,667 (409,667)Services and Supplies 26,567 22,277 17,605 6,655 23,581 (23,581)3,969 3,646 Central Computer 2,544 3,646 (3,646)**Transfers** 18,275 22,259 20,512 (20, 257)9,736 20,257 Contingencies 2,511 9,776 7,265 376,413 (449,886)Total Exp Authority 455,615 464,976 443,518 459,662 9,776 Reimbursements (41,389)(28,021)(48,494)48,494 **Total Appropriation** 455,615 464,976 402,129 348,392 411,168 9,776 (401,392)Operating Transfers Out 458,000 458,000 **Total Requirements** 455,615 464,976 402,129 411,168 467,776 348,392 56,608 **Departmental Revenue** Fines and Forfeitures 416,642 289,047 295,770 375,000 400,000 400,000 Other Revenue 30,000 **Total Revenue** 416,642 289,047 295,770 405,000 400,000 400,000 **Fund Balance** 11,168 67,776 56,608 **Budgeted Staffing** 3.3 (3.3)

The proposed 2007-08 budget reflects a technical change in the way the asset forfeiture staffing and expenses are budgeted. Employees/positions and expenses have been moved to the primary criminal budget unit and corresponding fines and forfeitures revenue from this budget unit will be transferred out to cover those costs. This technical transition began in 2006-07 to reduce the overall impact and will be complete with adoption of the 2007-08 budget. This change was requested because fines and forfeitures revenue is difficult to predict and can vary greatly from year to year, making year-end processing and budget procedures very difficult. The department will also have greater flexibility in making staff reductions in the event of declining revenue (reassignment, absorb through attrition, etc.).

